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Atom-Smuggling Reward Favored

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Washington (P)—The Senate-House Atomic Energy Committee Thursday unanimously approved an Administration bill providing for rewards up to 500 thousand dollars for detection of attempts to smuggle atomic weapons or materials into this country.

It remains now for the two adjournment-bound Houses to determine whether there is time to take up the bill this session.

The measure, aimed primarily at saboteurs, provides rewards for information leading to the seizure of atomic materials illegally brought to this country, illegally made here or for blocking attempts to bring them in.

A five-member Government board would determine the amount of reward to be paid.

The bill provides that the board shall be composed of the Secretary of Treasury, as chairman, the Secretary of Defense, the Attorney General, the director of the Central Intelligence Agency, and one member of the Atomic Energy Commission.

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